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Dear Ms. Levine:

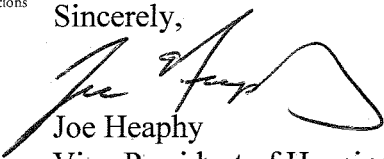
The Neighborhood Service Organization (NSO) is a 52-year old nonprofit agency that provides a diverse array of services to residents of Detroit, as well as Wayne and Oakland Counties. One of the main groups of people upon which we focus our services are the chronically homeless and those with special needs. Given this, we applaud MSHDA's policy goal of targeting the Low Income Housing Tax Credit resource to serve these populations and want to thank you for this commitment.

Also, as a member of Community Development Advocates of Detroit I want to thank you for incorporating many of CDAD's policy recommendations. The QAP is stronger as a result.

As a service provider and organization looking to develop tax credit projects, we do have questions as to how services will be provided to supportive housing tenants over time. We look forward to receiving further clarification on this issue due to its potential impact on deal structure and service provision.

Thank you again for your commitment to target the LIHTC resource to areas with high concentrations of poverty, such as Detroit, and using it to help address the pressing need for supportive housing.

Sincerely,

  
Joe Heaphy  
Vice-President of Housing

Cc: Sheilah Clay – NSO President and CEO  
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